



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 1000

LCO No. 3161

Referred to Committee on Judiciary

Introduced by:
(JUD)

AN ACT CONCERNING DAMAGE TO ELECTRONIC MONITORING EQUIPMENT.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 53a-115 of the general statutes is repealed and the following
2 is substituted in lieu thereof:

3 (a) A person is guilty of criminal mischief in the first degree when:
4 (1) With intent to cause damage to tangible property of another and
5 having no reasonable ground to believe that such person has a right to
6 do so, such person damages tangible property of another in an amount
7 exceeding one thousand five hundred dollars, or (2) with intent to
8 cause an interruption or impairment of service rendered to the public
9 and having no reasonable ground to believe that such person has a
10 right to do so, such person damages or tampers with tangible property
11 of a utility or mode of public transportation, power or communication,
12 and thereby causes an interruption or impairment of service rendered
13 to the public, or (3) with intent to cause damage to any electronic
14 monitoring equipment owned or leased by the state or its agent and
15 required as a condition of probation or conditional discharge pursuant
16 to section 53a-30, [or] as a condition of release pursuant to section 54-

17 64a or as a condition of community release pursuant to section 18-100c,
18 and having no reasonable ground to believe that such person has a
19 right to do so, such person damages such electronic monitoring
20 equipment and thereby causes an interruption in its ability to function,
21 or (4) with intent to cause an interruption or impairment of service
22 rendered to the public and having no reasonable ground to believe
23 that such person has a right to do so, such person damages or tampers
24 with (A) any tangible property owned by the state, a municipality or a
25 person for fire alarm or police alarm purposes, (B) any
26 telecommunication system operated by the state police or a municipal
27 police department, (C) any emergency medical or fire service
28 dispatching system, (D) any fire suppression equipment owned by the
29 state, a municipality, a person or a fire district, or (E) any fire hydrant
30 or hydrant system owned by the state or a municipality, a person, a
31 fire district or a private water company.

32 (b) Criminal mischief in the first degree is a class D felony.

Statement of Purpose:

To provide that an inmate released to the community by the Department of Correction is subject to criminal prosecution if such inmate intentionally damages electronic monitoring equipment that the inmate wears as a condition of his or her release.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]